Bio-Seeq PCR Bio Agent Detector



Smiths Detection

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VENDOR DESCRIPTION

The Bio-Seeg Handheld PCR system is the first commercially-available handheld nucleic acid analyzer. It was engineered by Smiths Detection and incorporates several advanced features. including an integrated battery pack, automatic calibration, enhanced reliability, and improved ergonomics. The Bio-Seeg allows personnel with minimal training to perform PCR assays in the field in approximately 30 minutes. The Bio-Seeg system consists of two components: A handheld instrument and a consumable cartridge. The instrument is a battery-operated device that is designed for use with minimal training. The consumable cartridge automatically performs the sample preparation steps (including filtering of PCR inhibitors and addition of reagents) normally performed by laboratory personnel prior to adding the sample to the instrument.



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Business Category: Large Business

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Hardware	
Power: External 12VDC, internal batteries, vehicle power	Operating Altitude: 0 ft to 15,000 ft AGL
Weight: 6.5 lbs including commercial batteries	Operating Temp.: 5°C to 32°C
Dimensions: 11" x 3.5" x 7"	Storage Temp.: -30°C to 70°C
Internal Volume: < .2 ft ³	Interface: RS-232E, compatible with ACMS RF systems
Sensor Type: Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Thermocycler	Bandwidth Required: 18200 baud
Test Capacity: Up to six tests simultaneously	TCDL Compatibility: No
Typical Test Time: 30 minutes	MTBOMF: > 500 hrs (est.)
Operating Time: 2 hours on internal commercial batteries	MTTR: .2 hrs (est.)
Internal Permanent Archive on Information: Yes (512 tests capacity)	

Performance

Completes 95% (est.) of the Missions it states w/out experiencing a mission abort

Sensor hardened to mitigate damaging effect from EMP: No

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Capability to detect all biological threats, except toxins, in liquids, powder, or rain

Minimum Level of Detection: 100 CFUs/reaction tube 1000-5000 spores with sample collect device

Quantification: Semi-quantitative